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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2003–04 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1285

Introduced by Assembly Member Salinas

February 21, 2003

An act to add Section 5090 to the Vehicle Code, relating to vehicles.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1285, as amended, Salinas. Vehicles: special license plates: agricultural design.

Existing law requires the Department of Motor Vehicles to design and issue special interest license plates containing the distinctive design or decal of organizations that meet certain criteria.

This bill would require the department, *in consultation with the California Future Farmers of America Foundation*, to issue agricultural special interest license plates, as specified. After deducting its costs in administering this special license plate program, the bill would require the department to deposit all revenue derived under the program, *except as specified*, in the Agricultural License Plate Account, which the bill would establish in the General Fund.

The bill would require the money in the account to be allocated by the Controller, upon appropriation, to the California Future Farmers of America Foundation for expenditure for the purpose of funding agricultural education and outreach programs, with 10% or more of the funds to be distributed by the foundation to agricultural employees or their children for scholarships to attend universities or colleges, community colleges, or vocational education programs.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 5090 is added to the Vehicle Code, to
2 read:
3 5090. (a) The department, *in consultation with the*
4 *California Future Farmers of America Foundation*, shall design
5 and make available for issuance pursuant to Section 5060 special
6 agricultural design license plates that may be issued in a
7 combination of numbers or letters, or both, as requested by the
8 applicant for the plate. A person described in Section 5101, upon
9 payment of the additional fee or fees set forth in subdivision (b),
10 may apply for and be issued a set of these special agricultural
11 design license plates.
12 (b) In addition to the regular fees for an original registration,
13 renewal of registration, or transfer or replacement of the license
14 plates, the following additional fees shall be paid for the issuance,
15 renewal, retention, or transfer or replacement of the special
16 agricultural design license plates authorized under this section:
17 (1) For the original issuance of the plates, fifty dollars (\$50).
18 (2) For a renewal of registration of the plates, or the retention
19 of the plates if renewal is not required, forty dollars (\$40).
20 (3) For transfer of the plates to another vehicle, fifteen dollars
21 (\$15).
22 (4) For each replacement plate, thirty-five dollars (\$35).
23 (5) For the conversion of an existing special interest license
24 plate to the special interest license plate authorized under this
25 section, sixty-five dollars (\$65).
26 (6) *For the issuance of an environmental license plate, as*
27 *defined in Section 5103, with the graphic design described in*
28 *subdivision (a), the additional fees prescribed in Sections 5106*
29 *and 5108, which shall be deposited in the Environmental License*
30 *Plate Fund.*
31 (c) After deducting its costs in administering this section, the
32 department shall deposit all revenue derived under this section,
33 *except as required under paragraph (6) of subdivision (b)*, in the
34 Agricultural License Plate Account, which is hereby established
35 in the General Fund.

1 (d) Upon appropriation, the money in the account shall be
2 allocated by the Controller to the California Future Farmers of
3 America Foundation for expenditure for the purpose of funding
4 agricultural education and outreach programs.

5 (e) Ten percent or more of the funds allocated under subdivision
6 (d) shall be distributed by the California Future Farmers of
7 America Foundation to agricultural employees or their children
8 for scholarships to attend universities or colleges, community
9 colleges, or vocational education programs.

